(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what action has been taken against the Officers of Maruti Udyog Ltd. Involved in this scandal;

(d) whether any efforts have been made to locate the missing vehicles; and

(e) If so, what are the details thereof and what steps Government propose to take to avoid recurrence of such scandals?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) to (e) Durring the period 1986--88 Maruti Udyog Ltd. (MUL) had adjusted the excise duty paid on 70 vehicles damaged in transit against new vehicles sent out to replace these damaged vehicles. When the MUL management realised that such adjustment was irregular and that excise duty was payable both on the damaged vehicles and the replacement vehicles, 70 gate passes were prepared merely to facilitate payment of excise duty withheld earlier. No vehicle left the primises of MUL against these gate passes. The question of locating any missing vehicles or taking action against MUL officers does not, therfore, a rise.

Filling up of the posts of Senior Laboratory Assistants in the College of Pharmacy, Delhi Administration

2864. DR. BAPU. KALDATE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that three posts of Senior Laboratory Assistants have been sanctioned in the college of Pharmacy, Delhi Administration, Delhi in the year 1982;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Delhi Administration has given and undertaking in the counter affidavit in SLD No. 4317/82 (Civil) in the Supreme Court of India that the posts of Senior Laboratory Assistants have been sanctioned and will be filled shortly;

(c) if the answers to parts(a) and (b) above in the affirmative, what are the reasons for not filling up these posts up till now, by giving promotions to the Laboratory Assistants, according to Saniority and by when these posts are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) The Delhi Administrationhave reported that two posts of Senior Laboratory Assistants were created in the College of Pharmacy in 1981 and one post was created in 1983.

(b) The Delhi Administration have also confirmed this position

(c) After the creation of the above-mentioned posts, action to frame recruitment rules for filling up to these posts was taken up. At the time recruitment rules were notified, the Government of India imposed a general ban on filling up of vacant posts in April, 1984. When the ban was relaxed the continuance of these posts had lapsed and approval of the competent authority for revival of the post were obtained in July 1989. These posts are to be filled by promotion from Laboratory Assistants as per the recruitment rules. Since the pay scale of selection grade laboratory Assistant's higher than the pay scale of the Senior Laboratory Assistant, the Delhi admn. have taken up the question of upward revision of the pay scale of Senior Laboratory Assistants before these posts could be filled up.